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EconOff delivered reftel aide memoire May 20 to officials at the Ministry of Economic Affairs, Trade Policy Department, and at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, EU External Affairs Division (which handles Dutch trade policy coordination at European level). The Dutch government had no immediate, substantive response to the demarche. Post will continue to report on developments in the Netherlands regarding biotechnology and food security policies.

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